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### MARRIAGE

On the 12th November, at Victoria, B.C., ALDO STEWART ANTON, of Hongkong, to LIZABETH MARINA, youngest daughter of B. J. HANFORD, of San Francisco, U.S.A. [560]

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CL. LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 20th FEBRUARY, 1904

THE news of Russia's absolutely unwarrantable violence at Port Arthur and Newchwang, whereby British, German, and American vessels have been fired on or detained, as described in our telegrams which arrived late on Thursday night, will astonish us less if we recall the scandalous way in which the Russians have continued in occupation of Newchwang, a Chinese treaty port open to all nations, a Chinese treaty port open to all nations, a Chinese treaty port open to all nations.

A case which is reported in our Police column this morning will no doubt, interest and give a sense of satisfaction to residents on the Peak. We are asked to remind the shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation that the half-yearly meeting will be held at the City Hall to-day at noon. The jurors' list for 1904 was considered at the Legislative Council Chamber yesterday afternoon. Apropos of jurors, an innovation has been introduced in the new Panama republic, where juries will be limited to three men. In the opinion of some there would be fewer miscarriages of justice if the number of jurors serving on a case were reduced, and a majority vote controlled.

We have received from the publishers a copy of the Times of India Directory for 1904. The merits of this publication are too well known to all who have business relations with Bombay or Karachi to require extended notice, and it will be sufficient to say that the present edition is quite up to the usual standard. Besides a directory of Bombay residents, the book includes the Mofussil Directory as well as a railway directory, the Indian marine list, Army and Civil lists, and a large amount of miscellaneous information, which makes the volume an extremely useful acquisition.

Russia is using it as a base of operations, and, moreover, acting in a more than high-handed manner against neutral foreign shipping. At Dalny the British steamer *Haiping* has been detained four days in spite of her captain's remonstrances. At Port Arthur both this ship, the *Chingping*, and the *Fuying*, and the German *Pronto* have been fired on, the last named, a constant visitor to Hongkong, being seriously damaged. The British steamer *Wenchow*, with Japanese refugees on board, was detained the greater part of a week, under guard and, against all the dictates of humanity, short of both food and water. In fact the Russians have appeared in their true character of brutal barbarians at the very outset. *Le Russ* has been gratified with the old result made famous by NAPOLEON. Apparently the "civilising mission" has been forgotten, or it is one which is only carried on in times of successful oppression. At the present the Russians appear to have lost their heads completely, and with them the superficial culture which enables them to pose as a "Western" nation. But, however adequate this may be as an explanation of Russia's conduct, it is not satisfactory as closing the case between Russia and the Powers whose subjects' rights have been violated and whose lives have been endangered, if not lost. Russia seems reckless of consequences under the stupefaction caused by Japan's attack. What could have been thought more improbable than that at this very moment threatening language should be used in St. Petersburg about British action in Tibet? Yet we are told that General IVANOFF, the Governor of Turkestan, has been instructed to "prepare for possible military action in the direction of India, in the event of Great Britain adopting an attitude openly hostile to Russia, or attempting any enterprise in Persia or Tibet prejudicial to Russian interests." Our Singapore correspondent informs us with reference to this threat that it has been received with feelings of amused contempt in India and that there is no sensation among the natives, who recognise the collapse of Russia. Signs are not wanting that other people are recognising this collapse too. Russia has lived too long on pretensions to a position wherefrom she can look down on the wishes of other nations. By her arrogance and brutality she has created a world-wide dislike which has only awaited a period of ill-success in her schemes to become open. She still inspires fear, it is true, from her very vastness, but if it is suspected rightly (and it certainly is suspected) that the bonds that hold the parts together are insecure, then that very vastness is a danger to herself. It is a fashion to speak of Russia as a Colossus. The historical Colossus did not remain intact when it fell. For the peace of the world it is to be hoped that the figurative Colossus will not escape the fall toward which it looks now to totter. The Russian Empire has developed into a common danger to all its neighbours, but the manner of its early growth, through uncolonised or imperfectly colonised regions, enabled it to attain huge size before its menace drew attention. There is no doubt about that menace now, however, and as some madness seems to drive the Empire's rulers to challenge all the world at once it is to be hoped that the opportunity will not be lost. This is not advocacy of a world's war. What is wanted is that a firm stand shall be taken by all who have claims against Russia and have received injuries from her. Before such an attitude she must yield, and a great incubus on international progress will be removed.

One case of enteric fever (Japanese) was reported in the Colony last week. It was not fatal. A plague case (damped) was reported yesterday.

Sir Frederick Treves, the King's surgeon, who is coming here soon, was in Calcutta during the first week of February, a guest at Government House. He was expected at Colombo on the 8th inst., when he was to go up to Kandy, spend a few days there, and return to Colombo to be present at a medical dinner on the 13th instant.

Miss Hannah Lynch, novelist and essayist, died in Paris last month. One of her best known books was *The Autobiography of a Child*. She wrote also a study of Mr. George Meredith, *French Life in Town and Country*, *Princes of the Glades*, *Dr. Verneuil's Enquiry*, *Through Troubled Waters*, *Daughters of Men*, and other books and contributed to various reviews and magazines. Miss Lynch also acted as Paris Correspondent of the *Academy*.

The following, printed in the form of a telegram from Philadelphia, appears in the *San Francisco Chronicle*—Mrs. Dooley, stewardess of the Red Star liner *Noordland*, had two cats of the purest Persian strain, but they are no more. Five days overdue, the *Noordland* reached here. Those five days hit the steerage hard. The emigrants were short of food, while the cats were sleek and fat. Mrs. Dooley noted the absence of her pets, and a search was ordered. Under a bunk occupied by an Italian passenger two silky skins were found, but that was all. The Italian explained that he had run out of provisions, the plumpness of the cats tempted him, and he fell. He agrees with Mrs. Dooley that they were very, very good cats.

Many American newspapers exhibit great ignorance regarding Far Eastern affairs now that they are called upon to make a display of war news. The *San Francisco Chronicle* prints a rather amusing article under four large headlines, two of which being—"Noted British Officer Will Sail for the Far East to Aid in the War Against Russia." "Intends to Take Command of Regiment of Cavalry That May Meet Soldiers of Czar in Battle in Event of War." The noted British officer in question is Sir Bryan Leighton, who attained the rank of captain in the African Light Horse; joined the Americans in the Spanish-American war; served in South Africa 1899-1900; and was with the American land forces at Cuba. To quote again the *S.F.C.*, however—"It is understood that Sir Bryan's regiment will be one of the first to go to the front in case of hostilities, and the unique position of a British Baronet forswearing his allegiance to King Edward VII. and becoming a subject of the Emperor of Japan will therefore be witnessed should the case come." Sir Bryan Leighton was to have left for Japan on the 5th of Korea on the 2nd inst. Lady Leighton was to accompany him to the Orient. As Japan has announced that it is against her rules to allow foreigners to fight for her Sir Bryan's offer will, no doubt, be refused.

CRICKET. H.K.C.C. v. H.K.H.C. The following will represent the Match H.K. Cricket Club v. H.K. Hockey Club, commencing at 11.30 to-morrow—

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H.K.H.C.—C. P. Chater, Captain P. G. Davies, A.O.D., Lt. Gibson, R.N., T. C. Gray, H. Hancock, J. Hooper, Surg. Horley, R.N., Howard, R.N., G. P. Lammer, A. Wilson, R.N., and W. W. G. Ross.

LEAGUE MATCHES. The following will represent the Civil Service C.C. in their League match against the R.A.M.C. to-day on the ground of the former, commencing at 2.15 p.m., sharp—

Hon. Dr. Atkinson, H. T. Jackson, P. T. Lambie, R. W. W. Woolley, J. Devaney, L. E. Brett, F. T. Robins, H. Gidley, W. Pitt, and W. T. Andrews.

Another match in the League will be played at 3 p.m. to-day between the Royal Engineers and the Craigengower Cricket Club, on the ground of the former. The following will be the Craigengower team—R. Bess, A. O. Brown, E. R. Heron, J. Craik, L. A. Rose, J. D. Kinnaird, M. E. Asger, E. Pestonji, J. P. Jordan, E. S. Ford, and J. Stuart.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers, the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel from 8 to 9.30 p.m. to-night—

March—The Rifle Regiment—Sousa Overture—*Madras*—Stenhouse Elliot Selection—*Coster Song*—Arr. by Geoffrey Song—*The Song you sang to me*—Molloy Selection—*The Messenger Boy*—Ivan Cyril Waltz—*Rose*—Margis Serenade—*Love in Idleness*—Mauchelli "God Save the King."

MENU. Hors D'oeuvres Shrimp Canapés. SOUP. Bird's Nest. FISH. Boiled Sauce Diplomat.

ENTREES. Braised Duckling a la Financiere Lamb Cutlets a l'Anglaise Boiled Bacon and Oysters. CURRY. Madras. JOINTS. Roast Ribs of Beef and Horse Radish Roast Capon and Breast Turkey Boiled York Ham a la Jardiniere. COLE. Galantine of Chicken and Artichoke Salad. SWEETS. Caramel Pudding Vanilla Ice Cream and Finger Cake Roast Tart Tasty Cake. DESSERT. Coffee.

## TELEGRAMS.

### "DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

### THE QUESTION OF TIBET.

### RUSSIAN THREAT DESPISED IN INDIA.

SINGAPORE, 19th February, 10.40 a.m. The Russian threat with reference to Tibet has been treated in India with amused contempt. It has created no sensation among the natives, who recognise the Russian collapse and are in sympathy with Japan.

The Tibet Mission is pressing forward.

### REUTERS'S SERVICE.

### THE WAR.—JAPANESE PLANS.

LONDON, 16th February. It is stated in St. Petersburg that there is a large movement of Japanese troops covered by cruisers proceeding to the Gulf of Liaotung with the object of cutting off the Manchurian railway near Port Arthur.

### RUSSIAN FINANCE.

LONDON, 16th February. The Russian Government has issued fifty million roubles in credit notes.

### ADMIRAL VIRENIUS'S SQUADRON.

LONDON, 16th February. The Russian warships *Orel*, *Aurora*, *Dmitri Donskoi*, and a number of torpedo-boat destroyers have been ordered to remain at Jibati until further orders.

### GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 17th February. It is stated in St. Petersburg that General Ivanoff, the Governor of Turkestan, has been instructed to prepare for possible military action in the direction of India in the event of Great Britain adopting an attitude openly hostile to Russia or attempting any enterprise in Persia or Tibet prejudicial to Russian interests.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 19th February. Sir,—I am quite at one with your correspondent's "Pavimento," when he says we need here a "Church and priests of a decided stamp." But does he mean to convey that we are to sit still and allow our children to imitate heterodoxy until that time, devotedly to be prayed for, arrives? If, as your correspondent says, the Cathedral service is undermined—and I don't say it is not—are there not any among the laity who would be ready and willing to devote one hour a week, on Sunday afternoons, to this work? If so, then we may at last hope to have a Sunday school worthy of the best traditions of our Church, and infuse into it a little of that enthusiasm which is so woefully lacking now, without waiting for the arrival of a somewhat remote contingency—of "priests of a decided stamp." I personally am ready to do what I can to further this object, and would be glad to hear from others.—Yours, etc., ANGLICAN.

### WATER AT EAST POINT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 19th February. Sir,—In your report of the statutory meeting of the Hongkong Brewery Co., Ltd., held on the 15th inst., the Chairman, Mr. Meurer, is stated to have said:—"At the side of and higher up than the level of our property is a dam or reservoir, from which the Company is entitled to draw as much water (water of precisely the same suitable quality as that to which I have already referred) as will flow through a two-inch pipe, &c., &c." It is possible that this general public on reading the above may be led to suppose that the water referred to is supplied from our reservoir to the premises of the Brewery Co. This is not so; we have entered into no agreement with the Brewery Co. for the supply of any water from our reservoir, and we have no intention of doing so.—We are, Sir, Yours, &c., BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. General Agents, Taikee Sugar Refining Co. Ltd.

### THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

The usual monthly shoot for No. 2 Hongkong Volunteer Artillery Company (right half) will take place at Tai Haang range on the 20th and 21st inst. Lieut. F. Smith and Bomb. B. W. Grey are scratch, while the three smallest handicaps are Gunner H. S. Holmes (2), Sgt. C. H. P. Hay (5), and Gunner A. J. Darby (9).

## THE WAR.

### JAPANESE OFFICIAL DESPATCH.

Mr. Masahito Noma, Japanese Consul, yesterday morning informed us that he had received the following official telegram early:—"Tokyo, 18th February, 3.50 p.m.—The *Times* correspondent in Peking reports that Admiral Alexieff telegraphed on the 14th inst. that the battleships *Tsarevitch*, *Retvisan*, *Petropavlovsk*, and *Sevastopol*, the cruisers *Novik*, *Pallada*, and *Askold* have been disabled. A party of Japanese was driven from the railway near Chinchow. The Russians admit of 70 killed on land, and state that 150 Japanese were taken prisoners. The Russians have in all eleven ships out of action and declare that fifteen Japanese men-of-war have been disabled. They acknowledge that the protected cruiser *Bogaria* has been slightly damaged, and state that a Japanese surveying party that landed in Figea Bay has been destroyed. The Japanese Government states that the above information is untrue, since no attempt has been made to land troops near the railway, hence it is impossible that prisoners have been taken. The statement to the effect that some of the Japanese ships have been disabled is also false, as none of them have suffered."

### THE PORT ARTHUR OUTRAGE.

Regarding the special *Daily Press* telegram from Shanghai stating that the Russians at Port Arthur had fired on the British steamers *Haiping* and *Chingping*, and had seriously damaged the German s.s. *Pronto*, we note that the *Pronto* is under time charter with the Hamburg-American Line. She is a vessel of 719 net tons, having been built at Flensburg in 1891. Mr. H. M. Struve is the owner. The *Chingping* is a vessel of 1,062 tons net, built in 1901 at Blyth. She is running for her owners, the Chinese Engineering & Mining Co. Ltd. The *Haiping*, which after being fired on was detained at Dalny for four days, in spite of the captain's repeated protests, is also owned by and running for the Chinese Engineering & Mining Co. Ltd. She is a vessel of 1,267 tons net, built at Kiel.

On the 5th inst. the British steamer *Khalif*, of 3,508 tons gross and 2,219 tons net register, belonging to the Bedouin Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., of Liverpool, arrived at Colombo from Cardiff, bound for Port Arthur, with 5,000 tons of the best Cardiff coal on board. The voyage from Cardiff, which place was left on the 3rd of last month, was uneventful. 33 days from Cardiff to Colombo for a vessel like the *Khalif* fully laden with coal, is not to be considered bad. The vessel was under no special agreement, but was carrying coal at existing freight rates. She is sailing under the British flag, but on entering Colombo harbour an extemporised Russian mercantile marine flag was flown from the fore peak; it was run up merely for "mischief."

The *Khalif* carried the consignment of coal at 18s. the ton. The reason for booking freight at such a low figure was because when she sailed from Cardiff it was firmly believed there would be no risk—that war would not break out before she reached her destination. Besides the *Khalif* there were about 17 other vessels to load Russian coal at Cardiff, and just before the *Khalif* got away the *Lock Tay*, a steamer of 5278 tons gross and 3,416 net register, of Dunee, started with a large consignment for Vladivostok. Japan should be able to make use of this coal.

The French cruiser *Sully* sailed from Toulon for the Far East on the 30th ult. At the end of January the *Daily Graphic* still adhered to the statement it made on the previous day, published by us on the 1st inst., and added that by the second article in the draft treaty Japan offered to acquiesce in all Russia's treaty rights in Manchuria, including a lease of Port Arthur, the railway contract, &c., and to assent to the military occupation of the island under Russian administration, and of a strip of country thirty miles on each side of the line, including the town of Harbin, Japan requiring the restoration of the rest of Manchuria to the effective sovereignty of China. Under article 5, Japan guaranteed the freedom of the Straits of Corea, and undertook never to fortify the southern coast of Corea.

### RUSSIAN REFUGEES TO BE LANDED AT COLOMBO.

The Indo-China s.s. *Nam Sang* has been specially chartered to take to Colombo the Russian refugees picked up by H.M.S. *Talbot* off Chemulpo after they had blown up the Japanese escorting squadron. Six officers, two colour-sergeants, and 50 marines from H.M.S. *Glory* are going down in the *Nam Sang* to look after the refugees. The *Nam Sang* probably leaves Hongkong for Mira Bay on the 24th inst. At Mira Bay H.M.S. *Amphitrite*, which is bringing the refugees down from the north, will meet her, and the men will be transferred for passage west. The marines from the *Glory*, after the refugees have been landed, will be sent home from Colombo. H.M.S. *King Alfred* leaves for home to-day with the *Glory's* relieved crew. The men are in the highest spirits with the prospects of getting home after their long commission.

### FOOTBALL.

#### SHIELD TIE.

This afternoon, in the Happy Valley, the Hongkong Football Club will play H.M.S. Ocean in the Football Shield competition. The kick-off is timed for 4.15 p.m. The following will play for the Club:—F. H. Kew, goal; H. C. Anstons and V. F. Annot, backs; H. C. Gray, J. W. C. Bonnar, and C. T. Kew, halves; W. H. Williams, O. R. S. Cooper, T. Hancock, R. A. Whitmore, and J. D. Danby, forwards.

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the above association was held at the Hongkong Hotel last evening. Mr. A. Chapman being in the chair. Others present were Lieut. Krishnaji Rao Shinde, Messrs. J. Fidgeon, A. Watson, Griffiths, Penning, Andrews, D. Macdonald, Sgt. Instructor Davies, and M. S. Northcote (hon. secretary).

The notice convening the meeting being read the minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The CHAIRMAN said the next business was to pass the accounts which, as they had been in their hands for some time, he would take as read. Interest in the association had been steadily on the decline; they would have to "back up" with their shooting or the association would die out altogether. He would invite those present to make any remarks before he proposed the adoption of the accounts.

There being no remarks, on the motion of the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. MACDONALD, the accounts were adopted.

Mr. NORTHCOTE said there was no president and the hon. secretary did not seek re-election. Without a renewal of interest it was questionable whether the association would be able to exist. There had been a falling-off of membership. At the Easter meeting there had been a loss of \$300; and the weekly shoots had not all been paid for, that being \$90. Those of them who used the range knew how many went there. It was a question as to whether they were to continue or wind up.

A MEMBER asked if they would be able to join the Army Rifle Association if they ceased to exist as an association before the amalgamation of the two associations was formally carried out. He thought they might lose the chance; it would be better to keep on for another year.

The CHAIRMAN asked if anyone could inform the meeting how the work at the new range for the Army Rifle Association was progressing.

No one knew exactly, but one present said that he thought that tenders had been issued for the roofing; the range might be completed at the end of the year.

The CHAIRMAN said that if they once gave up the Naval Range they would never get anything again; perhaps they had better decide to carry on for another year and elect a committee for the purpose.

It was suggested that Mr. Northcote be asked to act as hon. secretary for another year, as it would be difficult to get someone to take his place.

Mr. NORTHCOTE said that out of a membership of 105 he calculated that there were about 75 per cent who paid subscriptions; some members had not paid for two years and some, again, had left or were leaving. The balance in hand was \$382.66; while the liabilities would nearly swallow it. There were advertising contracts with three newspapers, \$50 each; rent to the Navy \$200 printing reports, and other sundries. These were current accounts, but \$38 for spurs had yet to be paid. If they did not squander over their Easter meeting they might be able to have a balance in hand.

The election of officers was then proceeded with. Sgt. Instructor DAVIES moved, Mr. ANDREWS seconded, and it was carried that the following committee be elected:—Mr. Chapman, Colours-Sergeant Cross, Mr. Macdonald, Mr. Parker, Mr. Penning, Sgt.-Major Roberts, and Mr. Watson.

Mr. MACDONALD proposed that Mr. Northcote be re-elected hon. secretary.

Mr. ANDREWS, in seconding this, said he hoped Mr. Northcote would stay on and see the association through its dark days.

Mr. NORTHCOTE said that he first became hon. secretary in 1898; the association had gone steadily downhill ever since. It must be that they had an inefficient secretary (eries of "No, No"). They wanted new blood; new interests ("No, No"). With a new man things might go on better ("No").

Mr. NORTHCOTE, having been elected, he said he would carry on for another year (applause). He would positively not carry on after that if they had not amalgamated with the Army Rifle Association. He might not give them an Easter meeting, as he was afraid he would not have the time to look after it; someone, however, might be found willing to act. He would like to propose a vote of thanks to Colours-Sergeant Cross, who was always at the range, and they owed him a debt of gratitude.

The CHAIRMAN asked if anyone would propose a president. As no one did so he said that the business of the meeting was concluded. He hoped they would do all they could to "back up" shooting.

A hearty vote of thanks was awarded Mr. Northcote.

### CHURCH SERVICES.

S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL. 21st February; 1st Sunday in Lent. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.).

Responses, Psalms, Venite, Barnaby; Psalms, Smart and Pre; Benedicite, Ward in A; Jubilate, Hayes in F; Anthem, "Turn Thy face from my Sins" Allwood.

Holy Communion (12 noon).

Kyrie, Jackson in F minor; Hymns, 84 and 269. Evening (5.45 p.m.).

Responses, Psalms, Crotch and Medley; Magnificat, Jones in A; Nunc Dimittis, Weldon in G minor; Hymns, 183, 250, and 92; Vesper Hymn, Ward (No. 1).

### GOSPEL HALL.

Arsenal Street, Top Floor, off Queen's Road East. Meetings are held as follows:—Sunday—Acts 2, 42, 11 a.m.; Gospel Address, 6 p.m. Tuesday—Soldiers' and Sailors' Bible Class 6 p.m. Thursday—General Bible Class, 6 p.m. Sunday—Prayer Meeting, at 8 p.m.



## SPORTING NOTES.

The past week has been made memorable in the history of Hongkong sport by W. C. D. Turner's score of 198 against the United Services on Tuesday and Wednesday. It is said that Turner really reached the coveted second century, 2 runs off his bat being wrongly credited by an umpire to the byes; but I cannot vouch for this. Two runs, however, make no difference to so fine a performance, which coupled with his two previous hundreds and his 88 against Shanghai—not to mention his record last season—mark him out as one of the best bats the Far East has ever seen. It is with great regret that Hongkong will see him depart next week. He is always an interesting player to watch, for he joins an ability to score at a good pace to a finished style. R. Hancock's 139 in the same match was overshadowed by Turner, but was nevertheless a sterling innings. He took longer than Turner to get his eye in, and never scored so fast, but he is a most valuable batsman in bowling he did not meet with so much success as of late. But for these two men, the H.K.C.C. would have done poorly; 71 was the total combination of the other nine. Scoring on the part of the Services was much more level; but Heath's 75 in the first innings stood out by a lot. As he also took 6 wickets for only 48 runs (in an innings of 457) he is entitled to rank with the two Club batsmen as a hero of the match. There is no doubt all-round athletes in the Colony than the Mahratta lieutenant.

To-day the central Cricket Ground is taken for a game between the H.K.C.C. and a Hockey Club team captained by T. C. Gray. Hon. Sec. of the H.K.C.C. As H. Hancock, Capt. P. G. Davies, and other prominent cricketers figure in the ranks of the Hockey Club, the match should be interesting. Other fixtures to-day include the League matches between the Civil Service C.C. and R.A.M.C., and the Craigie-gower C.C. and the B.E. Neither the H.K.C.C. Reserves nor the Parnassus take the field in the competition, and H.M.S. Tamar has scratched. Unless the Club Reserves can overtake the Royal Engineers in the few remaining fixtures there is not likely to be any change in the present order.

A very interesting Association football match comes on for decision to-day on the Club ground, the H.K.F.C. and H.M.S. Ocean meeting in the second round of the Challenge Shield. The Club has a full team now, Dwyer having gone forward again and C. T. Keen coming in at half-back. Judging by the performances of the two teams against the *Cressey* this week, the civilians should have a fair chance of victory, for whereas they drew with the *Cressey* team on Monday in a friendly game, the score being 1-1, on Thursday the *Cressey* inflicted a 4-1 defeat on the *Ocean*, the game being a China (Naval) League fixture. When I wrote last week I was aware of the *Albion*'s defeat of the *Tamar* and the *Cressey*'s victory over the Sherwood Foresters in the second round of the Shield. This ignorance was shared by the general public, as both matches were played off without the previous advertisement customary in other seasons. This is a pity, for both matches seem to have been worth watching.

The Club Rugby team came a cropper on Thursday, the *Ocean*'s XV. beating them by a dropped goal and a try to nil. After last Saturday's sixteen-point majority against the *Cressey*'s Rugbyists, this was a disappointment. The Club backs seem quite at sea at times—perhaps this is natural against naval teams—and badly feel the loss of Barnes. Chard's reappearance was welcomed forward.

The departure by the *Geva* on the 17th inst. of Mr. Frank Browne, the former Hon. Sec. of the H.K.F.C., should not be passed over in silence. Mr. Browne has only gone for a year or 18 months, I believe, but his secretarial connection with Hongkong football has been so intimate that he cannot but be missed.

The Royal Hongkong Yacht Club's 9th club race takes place to-day—that is for the championship class. The one-designers and second class sail to-morrow.

After the third test match at Adelaide, the captains of the two teams were naturally interviewed. The following was the opinion of Noble, the Australian leader. "A good win," he commented, "All was fair from start to finish and the wicket just as good when the last ball was bowled as on Friday morning. The success of Gregory and Hopkins was very gratifying, not only to the selectors but to all the players, who know what they can do. I think our fielding in the Englishmen's first innings was equal to anything ever done by the Australians. It was not even excelled by the work accomplished at Manchester, when we won by 3 runs. The match was played in the most friendly spirit throughout. Warner and Hayward played fine cricket on Tuesday afternoon, and gave their side a good start against the big total they had to face. It was really a most enjoyable game." Warner, the English captain, did not attempt to minimise the opponents' success. "It was a capital match," he said, "fought out under absolutely even conditions. The wicket is as good now as at the start, and it made absolutely no difference who won the toss. Our fielding and bowling were all right, but our batting failed."

After the test match the English team visited Tasmania and met the Colony's representatives. Warner's men scored 185 in first innings, and closed their second innings with four wickets down for 354. The Tasmanians made 191 in first, and lost one wicket for 63 in second innings, when the match was drawn.

During the match at Adelaide, 2471 telegrams and cablegrams were sent away, giving results of the play, which cost £263. The fourth test game begins on Friday next.

OMPAX.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 19th February.

## IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## THE CALENDAR.

There were on the calendar six cases, implicating eight persons. The most serious charge was one of manslaughter against a husband and wife from the New Territory.

## CHARGE OF THEFT.

Wong Chan was brought up on a charge of stealing \$238 from Mr. H. S. Gaskell's house, 7, Queen's Gardens, on 7th February.

He pleaded not guilty.

The Hon. Attorney-General Sir Henry S. Berkeley (who was instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor), stated that he had understood the prisoner was going to plead guilty, and the complainant was not in attendance, being away on military duty. Accordingly he was not prepared to proceed with the case.

His Lordship put it down for trial on Monday.

## ARMED ROBBERY.

Loong Kuo and Chan Lai were charged with having on the 21st January committed an armed assault at Yau-mai Bay upon Chau Yow and Chan Chun, with intent to commit a robbery.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. J. D. Auld, S. Swart, H. A. Siebs, Paul Lickor, J. Arnold, O. I. Ellis, and J. H. MacLaren. The Attorney-General in opening the case said that in the early morning of the 21st January last the prosecutor and his family were asleep on their boat at Yau-mai when the two prisoners accompanied by another man boarded the boat and attacked the people on board with a knife. A fight ensued. Prisoners got the worst of it, and after inflicting cuts upon one of the parties in the boat, Chan Chun, they jumped overboard. The two prisoners were picked up by a police patrol-boat. The question for the jury would be what the intention of these men was in boarding the boat.

Evidence having been taken, the jury found the prisoners guilty of assault with intent to rob.

His Lordship stated that the prisoners must know perfectly well they were two of a gang of robbers who went to rob this junk on the night in question. It was disgraceful that people in Yau-mai Bay should be robbed in this way in the middle of the night. They had been convicted of an offence which was punishable with life imprisonment. In all the circumstances he would sentence them each to four years' imprisonment with hard labour and to receive 24 strokes with the birch-rod within the first week of their incarceration.

## ANOTHER ROBBERY CASE.

Tao Sin, a young-looking Chinese, was brought up on a charge of having on 18th August, at Cheung-shawan, assaulted Wong Lai Wing, a returned emigrant from California, and his wife U. Fung, in their house there, and robbed them of \$400, a pair of bracelets, and a pair of earrings.

A plea of not guilty was tendered.

The same jury sat as in the first case.

The Attorney-General in his opening statement said that the prosecutor and his wife were in their house at one o'clock in the morning in question, the man asleep and the woman sitting up mending clothes, when a gang of four robbers, of whom prisoner was one made, their entrance through the roof. The robbers seized the two occupants of the house, bound them up, and then effected their purpose of robbing the place, and got away. Some time elapsed before the prisoner was identified by the old woman and arrested at the cement works. The question in the case was whether or no the identification was sufficiently established.

Evidence was then taken, after hearing which the jury by a majority of six to one found the prisoner guilty.

His Lordship remarked that this was a most serious robbery and sentenced the prisoner to five years' imprisonment with hard labour and to receive 24 strokes of the birch within the first week of his imprisonment.

## A SERIOUS CHARGE.

Mo Young, alias Mo Ng, was brought up on a charge of having on the 25th and 26th January criminally assaulted two girls aged 13 and 15 respectively.

He pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. A. C. Moore, J. W. Merrill, J. L. K. Cotter, W. E. Schmidt, J. O. Hughes, C. H. J. Thun, and C. E. B. Herst.

Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., barrister-at-law, conducted the prosecution for the Crown.

The evidence was recapitulated in the same strain as already reported, when the case was committed by the Magistrate to the Sessions. The prisoner had no real defence, but remarked that if he did what he was accused of "may my bones lie at the bottom of the sea and my flesh float on its surface." His Lordship then summed up the evidence, and the jury, after but a short consultation, without retiring brought in a verdict of guilty, and Mo Young, the prisoner, was then sentenced to two years' hard labour.

## POLICE COURT.

Friday, 19th February.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## PECCATING WASHERMEN.

Three washermen in the employ of the Steam Laundry Company were prosecuted for stealing clothes of patrons of the company.

It appears that for some time past residents on the Peak have been complaining of the disappearance of clothes put out to dry—small articles such as children's garments, singlets, handkerchiefs, and socks, which are not given out to the Company, but washed at home. Reports having been made to Sergeant Dymond

he deputed a plain-clothed man to watch, and he did not have long to watch either. He was standing near where some of the garments mentioned above were laid out to dry, when he saw a Chinaman come along and pick up a singlet, which, going behind a tree, he immediately proceeded to put on. The detective at once pounced upon the man and arrested him after a bit of a chase, and found the singlet marked with the name of a nearby resident. A search of his house led to the discovery of several other articles, with a gold stud and pin, complaints of the loss of which had been previously made to the police. Two other men in adjoining houses were also found in possession of stolen clothing. Their *modus operandi* was to deliver the bundles of laundered clothes at the houses, and then go and gather the garments mentioned, ostensibly to take them in, and secreting them in their baskets, would take them away, unobserved, with the stolen linen. The men were arrested and placed before His Worship, were fined \$25, with 21 days' gaol, and 3 hours in the stocks each.

BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## EXTRADITION.

On the arrival of the *Yamato-maru* yesterday morning in Hongkong, Detective-Sergeant Wilkin went on board and arrested one Henry Matthews, who was wanted in Brisbane, according to telegraphic advices from the police of that place, for the embezzlement of £200. Evidence of the arrest was given by Sergeant Wilkin, and the case was then remanded until Wednesday, the 24th inst.

## CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirty-fifth ordinary meeting, to be held at the Company's office on the 10th March at 11.30 a.m.:—

The balance at credit of working account as per last report was \$263,897.67. Add premium received 400.61. Deduct claims paid in 1903 43,075.97. Deduct return premium, &c., &c. 7,413.43. Balance of Profit \$212,808.88.

It is proposed to apportion this sum as follows:—

Dividend of \$6 and bonus of \$1 per share on 20,000 shares \$140,000.00. Bonus to contributors of premium \$100.25. Addition to extra reserve fund which will then stand at \$125,675.56 as shown in the annexed Balance Sheet \$2,915.14. Transfer to investment fluctuation account, to meet difference between cost and market value of investments on 31st December, 1903 \$15,000.00. Write off loss on sale of rural Building Lots Nos. 42 and 84 \$1,008.49. Bonus to office staff \$3,785.00. Balance of Profit \$212,808.88.

The balance at credit of working account at the close of this year was \$229,047.43, showing a gain of \$68,149.81 over the previous 12 months, which must be considered satisfactory.

## DIRECTORS.

Messrs. D. M. Moss, G. Balloch, R. Shewan and C. Michelau resigned their seats on leaving the Colony and Messrs. E. Shellin, H. W. Slade, C. A. Tomes and A. Haupt were invited to fill the vacancies on the Board. These appointments will require the confirmation of shareholders.

Messrs. A. G. Wood and E. Shellin retire by rotation, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

## AUDITORS.

Messrs. W. Hutton Potts and A. E. Lowe have audited the annexed accounts and offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts are as follows:—

BALANCE-SHEET, 31st December, 1903. Capital account \$400,000.00. Reserve fund \$1,000,000.00. Extra reserve fund \$125,675.56. Investment fluctuation account \$2,915.14. Account payable \$140,000.00. Dividend for 1902 \$20,175.64. Bonus for 1902 and sundries \$160,175.64. Working account, 1903 \$329,047.43. Balance at credit \$2,017,460.43.

## ASSETS.

Cash at banks \$32,981.52. Fixed deposits at banks:—Hongkong and Shanghai \$140,000.00. Chartered Bank of A. & C. \$65,000.00. Mercantile Bank of India, Ltd. \$9,000.00. Investments:—Chinese Imperial Government \$5,545.69. Hongkong and Kowloon \$103,152.50. Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd. \$43,401.01. Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd. \$50,000.00. Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd. \$49,377.40. Shares in public companies \$132,840.00. Loans on mortgage:—On properties in Hongkong \$1,186,300.00. Furniture account \$64.00. Office furniture, &c. \$33,539.57. Directors' and auditors' fees \$7,401.00. To commission account:—Agents' commissions \$3,116.60. To fire brigades account:—Contributions at agencies, &c. \$17.48. To losses account, 1903:—Claims paid after deduction of re-insurances \$46,273.55. To amount written off:—Furniture account \$70.91. To balance \$446,458.63.

## LIABILITIES.

By premium account:—Premiums received after deduction of re-insurances \$326,606.62. By interest account:—Amount at credit, including interest due on deposits and investments, &c. \$119,646.77. By transfer fee account:—Amount at credit \$115.20. Balance \$446,458.63.

## WORKING ACCOUNT.

1st January to 31st December, 1903. Dr. To charges account:—Rent, salaries, legal and surveyors' fees, taxes, stamps, &c. \$33,539.57. Directors' and auditors' fees \$7,401.00. To commission account:—Agents' commissions \$3,116.60. To fire brigades account:—Contributions at agencies, &c. \$17.48. To losses account, 1903:—Claims paid after deduction of re-insurances \$46,273.55. To amount written off:—Furniture account \$70.91. To balance \$446,458.63.

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## LA E TELEGR. MS.

[VIA CEYLON AND RANGOON]

## WAR OFFICE REFORM—COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

London, 1st February.

Lord Fisher's Committee's report consists of three sections.

The first opens with the declaration that the War Office has been administered from the point of view of peace. Hence improvements in the existing machinery are insufficient. A complete breach with the past is necessary. The report proceeds to discuss a Defence Committee for the continuous study of questions of Imperial defence. This is now no one's duty; therefore the Government is unable to arrive at sound conclusions on the needs of preparation for war, and misdirected effort, involving on the one hand risk and on the other waste, is unavoidable. There have been in the past, and there may be in the future, Premiers to whom the great questions of Imperial defence do not appeal; and a permanent nucleus is the only guarantee. The Premier should have at his disposal all information needed for the fulfilment of his responsibilities and duties. The nucleus should consider all questions of Imperial defence from the point of view of the Army and military forces in India and the Colonies. It should obtain and collate information from the Admiralty, War Office, the Indian and the Colonial Offices, and prepare the documents required by the Premier. The Defence Committee should furnish such advice and keep records for the use of the Cabinet and its successors. The Joint Naval and Military Committee and the Colonial Defence Committee should be dissolved, and their functions be vested in the Defence Committee.

The second section deals with the Army Council. The Admiralty system, while it has been essentially unchanged since the great naval war, has retained the confidence of the navy and the nation. The War Office has no thinking department; and branches concerned with preparation for a campaign, and the collection of information are weak and insufficiently in touch with the Secretary of State. The duties of the military heads are ill-defined; their relations with each other and with the Secretary of State are unsatisfactory for effective administration; they are absorbed in improper work. These conditions account for the evils ramifying through the whole structure, which render the Army inefficient for war duties. The members of the new Council are for the present left undefined in detail. Ideally, they should be:—First Military Member would take charge of the military policy, staff duties, intelligence, mobilisation, plans of operations, training, military history, higher education, and war regulations; Second Military Member—the personnel, pay, and peace regulations; Third Military Member—armaments, transport; Fourth Military Member—armaments and fortifications. The First Civil Member should have charge of civil business; and the Second Civil Member of finance. The report points out that it will be unnecessary to appoint officers of high rank or eminent field services to administrative posts like that of the third and fourth Members. Rank and position should not be a bar to any position in the War Office. Such officers would afterwards revert to any post outside suitable to his military rank.

The third section is headed Inspection. It praises decentralisation, towns which steps will be taken by the establishment of Army Corps Commands and independent inspection, as the corollary of effective decentralisation. The duties of Inspector-General should include attendance at all manoeuvres and acting as chief umpire, but not depriving executive officers of experience in high commands. It is assumed that Earl Roberts will retire forthwith.

The Times expresses unreserved agreement with the broad principles laid down, and remarks that Lord Roberts is obviously designed for the position of First Inspector-General. The *Morning Post* objects to the First Military Member of the Council, who appears in peace time to have nothing to do with troops. His will be a theory office, top and bottom. The work assigned to him could be done by a professor who had never seen a battle, taken part in a campaign. It also protests against the suggestion that the Military Members should be chosen outside the War Office as an unnecessary application of the new broom. The *Daily Telegraph* is assured that the changes will command the approbation of all classes. The *Daily Chronicle* supposes that nearly everyone agrees with the excellence of the main principles.

London, 2nd February. Earl Roberts, Lord Grenfell, Sir John French, and Sir W. F. Butler have been invited to join the Army Council.

THE TIBETAN QUESTION. Lumbi, 31st January. There is no cause for uneasiness. A flying column is in readiness to move to the assistance of the Mission at a moment's notice should the Tibetans attempt to invest Tuna. The strength at Tuna is a detachment of the Norfolks, two Maxims, and four companies of the 23rd Pioneer.

Calcutta, 1st February. The latest news from Tibet is that the Mission and 4,000 Tibetans are now reported at number 1,700 men, and the force is said to possess a thousand firearms of various descriptions. The remainder are armed with bows and spears. A Phari rumour credits them with the possession of two long-range guns, which carry from four to five miles. The force consists only of tall, gaunt Tibetans, dressed in nondescript uniforms, and there are no Chinese. So far, there has been no hostile movement. In spite of alarms and rumours, the current of Chinese Tuna news reports all quiet. It is officially announced that owing to the threatening attitude of the Tibetans assembled at Gura, it has been deemed necessary to stiffen Colonel MacDonald's force; therefore 200 Mounted Infantry, with British officers, left Umballa yesterday for Darjeeling; and two Maxims, with detachments, leave for the same destination to-day.

London, 3rd February. The Marquess of Lansdowne, last night, referred to the inability of Chinese intervention with Tibet, and said that a Chinese envoy left Peking in December, 1902, for the express purpose of arranging the difficulties with Great Britain, and he had not reached Lhasa yet. The Government of India were satisfied that there had been no contravention of the existing Act, because the Mission was political and not military.

Calcutta, 3rd February. There have been no further meetings between Colonel Younghusband and the Tibetan delegate. The latter insists upon the retirement of the Mission to Ghatung as the basis of negotiations.

Calcutta, 5th February. The latest from the Tibet Mission states that a new Chinese *Ambo* is shortly expected at Lhasa from Peking. There is no sign of any activity in the Tibetan camp at Gura. Two days' snow has fallen at Tuna, and the

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1903.

snow is forming drifts before a violent wind. The health of the Mission camp at Tuna continues good. An akka road is being constructed over Tang Lo.

## WATSON'S BANK INSOLVENT.

Calcutta, 1st February.

Messrs. William Watson & Co., the well-known bankers and army agents, suspended payment to-day. A notice posted on the door states that this has been done under telegraphic instructions from the London office. Messrs. Grindlay and Messrs. H. S. King & Co. offer to place their services at the disposal of officers who have been inconvenienced by the suspension of Messrs. William Watson & Co.

Calcutta, 2nd February.

This morning at the High Court, before Mr. Justice, Mr. Allen, on behalf of a creditor, applied that Messrs. William Watson & Co., bankers, be adjudicated insolvent, they having committed an act of insolvency by locking the door of their office and departing from their place of business. His Lordship granted the application and made the usual vesting order.

London, 4th February.

Messrs. Thomas Cook and Sons have taken over the goodwill of Messrs. William Watson & Co.'s business.

## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich George & Co. say in their Weekly Share List, dated Hongkong, 19th February:—Business during the past week has been interrupted by the Chinese New Year holiday, and but few transactions have been put through. The general tone of our market is weak, and we close mostly with selling quotations, due principally to the continued tightness of money and the uncertainty of the political situation.

BANKS.—Hongkong & Shanghai have fallen to \$655 sellers, after a small sale at that figure. London is unchanged at \$51. Nationals are firmer, and shares are now required for at \$34. FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong continue in request at \$305. China have fallen away to \$290 sellers after sales at \$301.

MARINE INSURANCES.—No business has come to our notice, and quotations remain as before.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao are weaker with sellers at \$28. Indo-China are easier with sellers at \$83. China and Manila are procurable at \$24, and Douglases at \$14. Star Ferries continue on offer at \$30 and \$19 for the old and new issues respectively, and Shell Transport at \$27.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars are firm for cash with buyers at \$16, but for forward delivery rather lower than equivalent rates have been accepted and are still current. Luzons are neglected at \$10 sellers.

MINING.—Nothing doing, and quotations are purely nominal.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have sold at \$207 and \$206, and close with sellers at the lower rate. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves continue firm at \$75 buyers. New Amoy Docks are unchanged at \$374 sellers. Farquhar, Berds have advanced in the north to \$13, 137 sales.

LANDS, HOTELS, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have weakened and close with sellers at \$149 after sales at that rate. Kowloon Lands have receded to \$35 sellers. West Points are lower with sellers at \$4. Hongkong Hotels are unchanged at \$146 sellers. Humphreys' Estates are procurable at \$10.60. Shanghai Lands have been booked at \$113, but are on offer at that rate with no buyers in the market over \$112.

COTTON MILLS.—No business has transpired, and quotations remain unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements have weakened to \$25 sellers. China Borneos are now procurable at \$81. Ropes are reported booked at the advanced rate of \$140, at which further shares are procurable. Ices can still be obtained at \$228. Campbell Moores are offering at \$40 and Tebraus at \$1. Providents, Watkins and Powells have all sold at quotations and more shares are in the market.

MEMOS.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation ordinary half-yearly meeting to-morrow, the 20th instant. Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., ordinary half-yearly meeting on the 22nd instant. Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 5th March. China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., ordinary yearly meeting on the 10th March. transfer books close from the 25th instant to 10th prox. inclusive.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

## BRITISH WARSHIPS.

The *Catapult* and *Elmhurst* arrived from the north yesterday.

JAPANESE STEAMER AT HONGKONG. The Nippon Yusen Kaisha *Yamato Maru*, Capt. William Scott Hunter, arrived from the South yesterday, having left M. Bourne on the 23rd inst. Manilla 16th inst. Strong monsoon with high rough sea was experienced. The *Yamato Maru* cleared for Kobe; she has some 1,000 tons of general cargo for Japan.

## SINGAPORE-AMOI RUN.

The British India s.s. *Purnea* is now in port, having as previously mentioned, arrived from Rangoon via Singapore. She has been running neck-and-neck with the Chinese owned s.s. *Hong Mok* which arrived from Penang and Singapore on the 18th inst., clearing for Amoy yesterday. A comparison between the cargoes, of these ships will be interesting:—The *Purnea* had, per report, 3,400 tons of cargo for Hongkong (no cargo for elsewhere), and 30 Chinese passengers; the *Hong Mok* had 3,200 tons of cargo for Hongkong, 300 tons for Amoy, and 411 Chinese passengers, 300 of which are booked to Amoy.

The French s.s. *Haibao*, Capt. Caste, arrived from Haiphong yesterday, having experienced moderate N.E. monsoon on the passage. She left Haiphong on the 17th.

## RICE.

The s.s. *Petchaburi* arrived from Bangkok yesterday with some 2,000 tons of rice and a quantity of timber consigned to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire. The s.s. *Emma Leyden* arrived from Saigon yesterday with 1,000 tons of rice for the East Asiatic Trading Company.



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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

TO LET.  
From 1st March.

A NEWLY-BUILT HOUSE in Bonham Road, (erected on Lot 591). Apply—  
40 & 86, WING LOK STREET.  
Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [547]

TO LET.

THE GROUND FLOOR of No. 4, Des Vaux Road. Now in the occupation of Guaranty Trust Co. of New York. Apply to—  
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [548]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1904, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, Duddell Street, THE MESS GEAR OF THE WARDROOM OF H.M.S. "GLORY," comprising—  
ELECTRO PLATE, TABLE LINEN, GLASS, CUTLERY, CROCKERY, &c., &c. Terms:—Cash on delivery.  
GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. [545]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.  
FOR SWATOW.  
"HAILOONG."  
Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above port TO-MORROW, the 21st inst., at DAYLIGHT.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to—  
DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. [546]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.  
NOTICE.  
STEAM FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.  
Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TAWAU, LAHAD DATT AND LABUAN.  
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"BORNEO."  
Captain Muller, will be ready to load for the above ports on MONDAY MORNING, the 22nd inst.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to—  
MELCHERS & CO., Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [549]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## RACE MEETING, 1904.

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY (OFF-DAY).  
23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th FEBRUARY.

TICKETS OF ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND AND ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD., or at the Gate. Price \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or \$3 per day. Tickets for the Off-Day, \$2.  
No admittance without a Ticket to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.  
T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [458]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND AND ENCLOSURE during the Races on the 23rd, 24th, 25th and 27th inst.

A Stand and an Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which will be sent out with the Members' Tickets after MONDAY, 15th inst. All Tickets must be produced to gain admission.  
T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [459]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NO SERVANT - will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the RACECOURSE during the Race Days WITHOUT TICKETS which can be had on application to the Under-secretary between MONDAY, 15th, and SATURDAY, 20th inst.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. 460

## THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN, 27, Des Vaux Road Central, HONGKONG, From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A. Hongkong, 10th March, 1903. [2490]

## NOTICES OF FIRMS

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

DURING the Temporary Absence from the Colony of Mr. J. A. H. MANCINI, the Secretary, Mr. J. A. TARRANT is authorised to Sign "for Secretary."  
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.  
Hongkong, 15th February, 1904. [513]

DR. WILLIAM DANIEL, Graduate of the University of Pennsylvania Dental College at Philadelphia, and who has practised in Europe as well as the United States, has associated with Dr. NEWELL WILSON, Dentist, at 31, Queen's Road Central, Watkin's Building.  
Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [534]

## INTIMATIONS

## WANTED.

GOOD CLERK Wanted, European or other. Apply to—  
ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [436]

## FOR SALE.

THE NEW AMOY HOTEL.  
For particulars, apply to—  
F. H. LUCASSEN, Proprietor, Amoy.  
Amoy, 20th January, 1904. [321]

## FOR SALE.

THE BUSINESS of an Old-Established Mercantile Firm in Hongkong, including name, Goodwill, and Office Furniture. Apply, by letter, to—  
BUSINESS, Care of Daily Press Office.  
Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [205]

UNION BREWERY CO., LIMITED, OF SHANGHAI.  
SHARES to be had at No. 3, QUEEN'S BLDG. of Mr. W. S. NIEBUHN. By Order of Directors.  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [536]

## FOR SALE.

COTTAGE PIANO, by Collard & Collard, in good condition. Can be seen by appointment. Apply by letter to—  
BRYAN, Sanitary Board Office.  
Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. [540]

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from Stonecutters Island (East Battery) in a South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 4,500 yards, on the 26th February, 1904, and from Lyman Sub-District (Redoubt and Pak-shan Batteries) in the direction of the entrance to Junk Bay at ranges from 600 to 4,500 yards, on the 29th instant.

If the weather is unfavourable on either of the above dates, practice will take place on the 1st proximo.

Practice will commence at 9 A.M. on the 26th, and at 9.30 A.M. on the 29th instant, and end at 11 A.M. daily, if the range is clear.

By Command, A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 18th February, 1904. [542]

PROPOSALS FOR FROZEN FRESH BEEF AND FROZEN FRESH MUTTON.—Headquarters Division of the Philippines, Office of the Chief Commissary, Manila, P.I., August 25th, 1903.—Sealed proposals, in triplicate, will be received at this Office until 11 o'clock, a.m., March 19th, 1904, at which time and place they will be opened in the presence of the attending bidders, for the furnishing and delivery of six million six hundred thousand (6,600,000) pounds of frozen fresh beef and four hundred and eighty thousand (480,000) pounds of frozen fresh mutton to the Subsistence Department at Manila, P.I., during the year ending June 30, 1905. The accepted beef and mutton will be admitted free of Customs duties. The United States reserves the right to decrease the amount called for in the contract, by not to exceed 40% upon reasonable notice to the contractor; or to increase the amount called for, with the consent of the contractor. Each proposal must be accompanied by a Bidder's Guarantee in the amount of \$20,000, or by certified check for that amount on a bank of approved standing in Manila. The bidder to whom the contract is awarded will be required to give bond, the penalty of which will be fixed by the Chief Commissary. Information furnished on application. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked "Proposals for frozen fresh beef and frozen fresh mutton for F.Y. 1905, to be opened March 19th, 1904," and addressed to the undersigned—HENRY G. SHARPE, Colonel, A.C.G., U.S. Army, Chief Commissary. [2404]

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

CITY OF MANILA.  
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARD SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Office until 12 o'clock Noon, of the first day of June, 1904, for the construction of the superstructure for a lift bridge over the Biondo canal in the City of Manila, in accordance with plans on file at the Office of the City Engineer.

Bids will be received (1st) for the delivery and erection of the structure complete in every respect and ready for use; (2nd) for the delivery at the wharf in Manila, free from all encumbrances, of all the structural material and machinery of every sort, ready for the erection of the bridge complete.

Each bid shall be accompanied by (1st) a stress sheet showing the maximum live and dead load stresses in each member together with the gross and net sections and the material of which each member is to be composed; (2nd) a certified check payable to the City of Manila in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) United States currency, or its equivalent, as a guaranty that the contractor will within ten (10) days from the awarding of the contract enter into contract with the City of Manila for the faithful performance of all the work above specified.

A bond of ten per cent. (10%) of the accepted bid will be required for the faithful performance and completion of the contract within a period of twelve (12) months from the date of signing the contract.

PRINTED FORMS FOR BIDS, plans and all necessary information may be obtained at the Office of the City Engineer, Manila, P.I., Engineering News Publishing Co., 220 Broadway, New York City, and the Bureau of Insular Affairs, Washington, D.C.

The right is reserved by the City of Manila to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects.

By Direction of the Board, JOHN M. TUTHER, Secretary.

Manila, P.I., January 21st, 1904. [361]

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Hongkong, 6th February, 1904. [319]

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1904. [523]

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NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTON'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash. Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3518]

A. LING & CO., FURNITURE STORE, PLATED, GLASS AND CROCKERY WARE, &c., &c., and FOCHOOW LACQUERED WARE. 68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [314]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 20th day of FEBRUARY, 1904, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903. By Order of the Court of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [386]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 6th to the 20th day of FEBRUARY, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors, J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [385]

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the OFFICES of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 22nd FEBRUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 22nd FEBRUARY, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. I. ROSE, Secretary. Hongkong, 1st February, 1904. [399]

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the Company, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 5th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock (Noon), to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th FEBRUARY, to the 5th MARCH, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers. Hongkong, 8th February, 1904. [474]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 10th March, at 11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th instant, to the 10th proximo, both days inclusive. By Order, GEO. L. TOMLIN, Secretary. Hongkong, 10th February, 1904. [468]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after this date, they can obtain Scrip Certificates for Shares of the new issue in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Bank receipts on application at the Registered Offices of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 13th February, 1904. [515]

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LD.

NOTICE.

A CERTIFICATE No. 448 for Six Shares Nos. 11451/1456 standing in the Register of this Company in the name of Mrs. FLORENCE MINA HUNT has been LOST.

Notice is hereby given that a new Certificate for the said Six Shares will be issued fourteen days hence, and that the original Certificate unless produced within that period will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void. By Order of the Board of Directors, A. SHELTON HOOPEE, Secretary to the HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & GENEY CO., LD., General Agents for the WEST POINT BUILDING CO., LD. Hongkong, 11th February, 1904. [503]

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LD. have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Ice Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be Open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sundays excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods. WM. PARLANE, Manager. Hongkong, 18th November, 1901. [57]

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY of PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers. Call Flag W. J. W. KEW, Manager. 1st Floor, 37, Connaught Road. Hongkong, 13th June, 1903. [334]

CARTRIDGES.

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## INSURANCES

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA. INCORPORATED 1851.

Cash Security ... .. \$252,719  
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THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. WM. MEYERLIN & CO. Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. [194]

NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO. FIRE and LIFE. ESTABLISHED 1836.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept First Class Foreign and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. Also to accept proposals for LIFE ASSURANCE. Prospectuses on application. TUNNEL & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [27]

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1902, £16,378,771.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000 0 0  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000 0 0  
PAID-UP CAPITAL, 687,500 0 0  
II. FUND FUNDS, 2,867,215 14 10

THE Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [1898]

THE BOMBAY FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at Current Rates. HOLLAND-CHINA TRADING CO. Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [2160]

L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates. SIEMSEN & CO. Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [1]

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates. REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents. Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. [89]

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned are now prepared to GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE against FIRE at Current Rates. DOUGLAS LARPAIK & CO., Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office. Hongkong, 17th August, 1887. [12]

AMOI ENGINEERING CO., LD. AMOI

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Hongkong, 12th December, 1903.

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## ARRIVALS.

Feb. 18, HOHIO, French str., 508, Casto, Haiphong 18th Feb. General.—A. R. MARY.

Feb. 18, M. S. DOLLAR, British str., 2,674, Gow, Samang 18th Feb. Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Feb. 18, SHANTUNG, British str., 1,835, Warneck, Java 18th Feb. Sugar.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Feb. 19, HLENNHEIM, British cruiser, 9,000, P. G. Stopford, from Singapore and Misa Bay.

Feb. 19, CHINA, German str., 1,153, E. Kruelbo, Saigon 14th Feb. Rice.—EAST ASIATIC TRADING CO.

Feb. 19, EMMA LUYKEN, German str., 1,110, Martens, Saigon 14th Feb. Rice and Flour.—E. A. TRADING CO.

Feb. 19, PECHABUR, German str., 1,373, Hillmann, Bangkok 11th Feb. General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Feb. 19, PHAM, Norwegian str., 701, B. A. Meyer, Borneo 11th Feb. Timber and Firewood.—SANDER, WIELER & CO.

Feb. 19, SILESIA, British cruiser, 3,600, C. H. Moore, R.N., Shanghai 5th Feb. and Misa Bay 19th.

Feb. 19, VENGEANCE, British battleship, 12,950, L. C. Stuart, C.M.G., from Misa Bay.

Feb. 19, YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., 3,816, W. S. Hunter, Melbourne 19th Australian Ports 23rd Jan. Flour.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

## CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.

19th February.

C. Ferd. Laeisz, German str., for Singapore.

Kronos, British str., for Singapore.

Michael Johnson, German str., for Rangoon.

Progress, German str., for Toulon.

Hong Mui, British str., for Amoy.

Lapenon, German str., for Canton.

Rubi, British str., for Amoy.

Yawata Maru, Japanese str., for Kobe.

## DEPARTURES.

19th February.

EMPIRE, British str., for Manila & Australia.

FOYLE, British str., for Amoy.

HAICHING, British str., for Swatow.

HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.

INDOMERIS, British str., for Shanghai.

KINTUCK, British str., for London.

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SARIN RICKMERS, British str., for Canton.

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., via PORTS OF CALL.	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	W. B. Palmer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	27th inst. at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYUNA	Brit. str.	C. J. Benton	RUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st March
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE &c.	SOCOTRA	Brit. str.	C. J. Benton	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 3rd Mar.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLENGYLE	Brit. str.	T. Darke	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	5th March
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLAUCUS	Brit. str.	T. Darke	RUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th March
LONDON & ANTWERP	PAK LING	Brit. str.	T. Darke	RUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th March
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL.	YARBA	Fre. str.	Sollier	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	23rd inst. at 1 P.M.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL.	SEYDLITZ	Ger. str.	Dewers	MELCHERS & CO.	2nd Mar., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	C. FRED. LAEISZ	Ger. str.	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	To-day.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	Hildebrandt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	2nd March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	Miltzoff	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	17th March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	1. unig.	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	22nd March.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ABESSINIA	Ger. str.	Filler	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	5th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	Borok	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	KEKRON	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	GIKLA	Aus. str.	Damianovich	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	23rd inst. P.M.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	MACDOFF	Brit. str.		DODWELL & CO. LD.	About 1st March.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	TACTAR	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	24th inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	E. OF JAPAN	Brit. str.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	9th March.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN	TACOMA	Brit. str.	M. Ridley	DODWELL & CO. LIMITED	26th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via N'SARI, &c.	AGAMENNON	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th inst.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRAPURA	Brit. str.	J. T. Horne	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	24th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	3rd March.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SAMBIA	Ger. str.	Luning	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	About 23rd inst.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	JAMA	Ger. str.	S. Barchan	P. & O. S. N. Co.	28th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SHANTUNG	Brit. str.		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	To-morrow, D'light.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHIEHI	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st March.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SILESIA	Aus. str.	Ghezze	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	To-morrow, A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KALGAN	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	24th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SYDNEY	Fre. str.	Blanc	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 24th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	COROMANDEL	Brit. str.	G. M. Montford	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 28th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRIUMPH	Jap. str.	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	27th inst. 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	M. STRUVE	Jap. str.	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-morrow, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	PROMETHEUS	Jap. str.	Lensbrigen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	22nd inst. 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HAIRONG	Brit. str.	Gibson	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	To-day, at 1 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	RUBI	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	24th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KANSU	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.	27th inst. 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRIMONT	Brit. str.	P. W. Garlick	DODWELL & CO. LD.	About 1st March.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BORNEO	Ger. str.	Muhle	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.

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Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 22nd February. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1904. [2]

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [209]

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Hongkong, 16th February, 1904. [1]

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [116]

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ROON	16th March
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HAMBURG	13th April
PRINZ HEINRICH	27th April
OLDENBURG	11th May
BAVERN	26th May
SACHSEN	9th June
ZIETEN	23rd June
SEYDLITZ	7th July

ON WEDNESDAY, the 2nd day of MARCH, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "SEYDLITZ," of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain Dewers, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

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Ho-chang 18th February, 1904. [5]

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VICTORIA	3,502	J. Truebridge	Wednesday, March 16th
TRENTON	9,606	T. W. Garlick	Friday, March 25th
OLYMPIA	2,837	A. Dixon	Wednesday, April 27th

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Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [7]

## PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

## STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, HAI MOJI and KOBE (Passing through the Inland Sea)	JAVA S. Barchan	About 23rd February	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	CHUSAN W. B. Palmer, R.N.R.	Noon, 27th February	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	COROMANDEL G. M. Montford	About 28th February	Freight and Passage.
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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 20th February, 1904. [1]

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Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. [114]

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TAKAO (DIRECT)	"PROMETHEUS"	MONDAY, 22nd February, at 10 A.M.
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Hongkong, 19th February, 1904. T. ARIMA, Manager. [15]

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C. FRED. LAEISZ	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 20th Feb. Freight.
SITHONIA	Calling at Singapore and Penang	On 2nd Mar. Freight.
BAMBERG	HAVRE, BREMEN and UAHBURG	On 17th Mar. Freight.
Capt. Hildebrandt	Calling at Singapore and Penang	On 22nd Mar. Freight.
SAMBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 5th April. Freight.
Capt. Luning	Calling at Singapore and Penang	On 19th April. Freight.
ABESSINIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 3rd May. Freight.
Capt. Filler	Calling at Singapore and Penang	On 13th May. Freight.
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG	On 27th May. Freight.
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Hongkong, 16th February, 1904. [532]

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